CITY OF MALVERN

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SUPPLEMENTARY AND OTHER INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2012

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City of Malvern

Officials

Name	Title (Before January 2012)	Term Expires
Toni Michel	Mayor	January 2012
Spencer Terry Doug Shere Susan Dunmire Shane Sayers Lantz Powels	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2014 January 2014 January 2012 January 2012 January 2012
Shari Mueller	City Clerk	Indefinite
T. J. Pattermann	Attorney	Indefinite
Name	<u>Title</u> (After January 2012)	Term Expires
Toni Michel	Mayor	January 2014
Jessica Winstead Doug Shere Dwain Pelzer Quincy Hunt Lantz Powels	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2014 January 2014 January 2016 January 2016 January 2016
Shari Mueller	City Clerk	Indefinite
T. J. Pattermann	Attorney	Indefinite

City of Malvern



October 24, 2012

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities and each major fund of the City of Malvern, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Malvern's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, and each major fund of the City of Malvern as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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October 24, 2012 Independent Auditors' Report City of Malvern

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 24, 2012 on our consideration of the City of Malvern's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Malvern's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the seven years ended June 30, 2011 (none of which are presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. The supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the City of Malvern's basic financial statements. Management's Discussion and Analysis and the budgetary comparison information on pages 7 through 11 and 28 through 30 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Schroer & Associates, P.C.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The City of Malvern provides this Management's Discussion and analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the City's financial statements, which follow.

2012 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Receipts of the City's governmental activities increased 2%, or approximately \$16,000, from fiscal 2011 to fiscal 2012. Operating grants decreased approximately \$8,000 and capital grants decreased approximately \$9,000.

Disbursements increased 4%, or approximately \$23,000, in fiscal 2012 from fiscal 2011. Culture and recreation disbursements increased by approximately \$22,000.

The City's total cash basis net assets increased by 43%, or \$87,756, from June 30, 2011 to June 30, 2012. Of this amount, the assets of the governmental activities increased \$57,407, and business type activities increased by \$30,349.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the City's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statement consists of a Statement of Activities and Net Assets. This statement provides information about the activities of the City as a whole and presents an overall view of the City's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report the City's operations in more detail than the government-wide statement by providing information about the most significant funds.

Notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Other Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the City's budget for the year.

Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds and the City's indebtedness.

Basis of Accounting

The City maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this annual report, the reader should keeping mind the limitations resulting from the use of the cash basis of accounting.

REPORTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-Wide Financial Statement

One of the most important questions asked about the City's finances is, "is the City as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities." The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information which helps answer this question.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in the City's net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the City is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets is divided into two kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities include public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service and capital projects. Property tax and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business Type Activities include the sanitary sewer system. This activity is financed primarily by user charges.

Fund Financial Statements

The City has two kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds account for most of the City's basis services. These focus on how money flows into and out of those funds, and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds include: 1) the General fund, 2) the Special Revenue Funds, such as Road Use Tax and Urban Renewal Tax Increment, 3) the Debt-Service Fund, and 4) the Capital Projects Fund. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed, short-term view of the City's general government operation and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more of fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the City's programs.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

2) Proprietary funds account for the City's Enterprise Funds. Enterprise Funds are used to report business type activities. The City maintains two Enterprise Funds to provide separate information for the water and sewer funds considered to be major funds of the City.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of cash receipts, disbursements and changes in cash balances.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of financial position. The City's cash balance for governmental activities increased from \$78 thousand to \$135 thousand. The analysis that follows focuses on the changes in cash balances for governmental activities.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of G (Expressed in Thousa						
	_	Year Ended June 30,				
		2012		2011		
Receipts:						
Program receipts:						
Charges for service	\$	116	\$	113		
Operating grants, contributions and restricted interest	Ψ	175	Ψ	183		
Capital grants, contributions and restricted interest.		175		9		
General receipts:		-		9		
Property tax		402		375		
Tax increment financing collections		702		4		
Local option sales tax		71		70		
Grants and contributions not restricted to		, ,		10		
specific purpose		_		1		
Total receipts	_	771		755		
Total Tecopis		,,,		700		
Disbursements and other financing uses:						
Public safety		71		63		
Public works		216		229		
Culture and recreation		192		170		
Community and economic development		9		10		
General Government		106		93		
Debt service		120		126		
Capital projects		-		-		
Total disbursements		714		691		
Net change in cash basis net assets		57		64		
Cash basis net assets beginning of year		78_		14		
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$	135	\$	78		

The City's total receipts for governmental activities increased by 2%, or \$16,000. The total cost of all programs and services increased by approximately 4%, or \$23,000. The increase in receipts was primarily due to increases in property tax collections.

The cost of all governmental activities this year was \$714 thousand compared to \$691 thousand last year. The City spent more monies on culture and recreation.

Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets of Business (Expressed in Thousands)	Тур	e Activities			
(Bispressed in Triododida)		Year Ended June 30,			
	_	2012		2011	
Receipts:	_		-		
Program receipts:					
Charges for service					
Water	\$	159	\$	150	
Sewer		125		125	
General receipts:					
Miscellaneous		5		4	
Total receipts	_	289		279	
Disbursements:					
Water		143		136	
Sewer		115		126	
Total disbursements	_	258		262	
Net change in cash basis net assets		31		17	
Cash basis net assets beginning of year	· 	127		110	
Cash basis net assets end of year	\$_	158	\$	127	

Total business type activities receipts for the fiscal year were \$289 thousand compared to \$279 thousand last year. The cash balance increased by \$31 thousand.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUND ANALYSIS

As the City of Malvern completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$135,538, an increase of \$57,407 from last year's total of \$78,131. The following are the major reasons for the changes in fund balances of the major funds from the prior year.

- The General Fund cash balance increased \$35,047 from the prior year of \$(38,610) to (\$3,563) due to an interfund transfer from Local Option Sales Tax Fund.
- The Road Use Tax Fund increased \$9,102, Employee Benefits Fund increased \$3,138, and Local Option Sales Tax Fund increased \$8,860. The Library Memorial Trust Fund decreased \$1,350. The Urban Renewal Tax Increment fund did not change.
- * The Debt Service Fund cash balance increased by \$2,610 to \$6,987 during the fiscal year.
- The Capital Projects Fund did not change during the fiscal year.

INDIVIDUAL MAJOR BUSINESS TYPE FUND ANALYSIS

- The Sewer Fund cash balance increased by \$9,168 to \$1,821 during the fiscal year. \$31,066 is restricted for the sewer sinking fund.
- The Water Fund cash balance increased by \$21,181 to \$155,752 during the fiscal year due to an increase in the sale of water.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the culture and recreation budget was exceeded by \$7,646 due to additional park and pool maintenance. There was one budget amendment during the year that increased revenues \$10,492 to allow for additional intergovernmental receipts and increased disbursements by \$21,700 to allow for additional culture and recreation and general government disbursements.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2012, the City had \$929,222 in bonds and other long-term debt, compared to approximately \$1,060,904 last year as shown below:

Outstandin	g Debt at Ye	ear End		
(Expresse	d in Thous	ands)		
		Year End	led J	une 30,
	_	2012	_	2011
General obligation notes	\$	409	\$	505
Revenue notes		520		556
	\$	929	\$	1,061

The Constitution of the State of Iowa limits the amount of general obligation debt cities can issue to 5% of the assessed value of all taxable property within the City's corporate limits. The City's outstanding general obligation debt was \$409,000 at fiscal year end, which is significantly below the City's constitutional debt limit of \$2.2 million.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The City of Malvern's elected and appointed officials and citizens considered many factors when setting the fiscal year 2013 budget, tax rates and fees that will be charged for various City activities. The City increased the tax rates approximately .07387 from the previous year.

These indicators were taken into account when adopting the budget for fiscal year 2013. The debt service levy was increased from 15.85889 in 2012 to 15.93276 in 2013, for a difference of .07387.

CONTACTING THE CITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the City's finances and to show the City's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Shari Mueller, City Clerk, 107 E. 4th Street, Malvern, Iowa.

Basic Financial Statements

City of Malvern Statement of Activities and Net Assets – Cash Basis As of and for the year ended June 30, 2012

		_		Program Receipts	
	_	Disbursements	Charges for Service	Operating Grants Contributions and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest
Functions/Programs:					
Governmental activities:					
Public safety	\$	71,017	633	-	-
Public works		216,410	77,304	125,532	-
Culture and recreation		191,725	37,116	20,078	-
Community and economic development		8,635	-	-	-
General government		105,858	1,315	16,837	-
Debt service		120,259		12,420	-
Capital projects					
Total governmental activities		713,904	116,368	174,867	-
Business type activities:					
Water		142,763	159,035		
Sewer		115,824	124,749		
Total business type activities	_	258,587	283,784	=	-
Total	\$	972,491	400,152	174,867	· .

General Receipts:

Property tax levied for:
General purposes
Employee benefits
Debt service
Tax increment financing collections
Local option sales tax
Unrestricted interest on investments
Miscellaneous
Total general receipts

Change in cash basis net assets

Cash basis net assets beginning of year

Cash basis net assets end of year

Cash Basis Net Assets:

Restricted:

Expendable:

Streets

Employee benefits

Property tax relief

Urban renewal purposes

Library trust

Debt service

Unrestricted

Total cash basis net assets

Net (Disbursement) Receipts and Changes in Cash Basis Net Assets

,	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
	(70,384) (13,574) (134,531) (8,635) (87,706) (107,839)	- - - - -	(70,384) (13,574) (134,531) (8,635) (87,706) (107,839)
	(422,669)	-	(422,669)
	- - - (422,669)	16,272 8,925 25,197 25,197	16,272 8,925 25,197 (397,472)
\$	259,375 31,692 110,449 6,546 70,860 250 904 480,076	486 4,666 	259,375 31,692 110,449 6,546 70,860 736 5,570 485,228
	57,407	30,349	87,756
	78,131	127,224	205,355
\$.	135,538	157,573	293,111
\$	104,616 29,945 28,341 16,039 765 6,987	31,066	104,616 29,945 28,341 16,039 765 38,053
	(51,155)	126,507	75,352
\$ _	135,538	157,573	293,111

City of Malvern Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances - Governmental Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2012

					Special
	_	General	Road Use Tax	Employee Benefits	Local Option Sales Tax
Receipts Property tax	\$	248,859		30,455	-
Tax increment financing collections	Ψ.	2 10,005	-	-	-
Other city tax		10,516	-	1,237	70,860
Licenses and permits		1,938	-	-	-
Use of money and property Intergovernmental		6,592 7,371	125,532		6,000
Charges for service		114,430	-	_	
Miscellaneous	_	16,837			
Total receipts		406,543	125,532	31,692	76,860
Disbursements					
Operating:					
Public safety		71,017	-	-	-
Public works		85,936	116,430	14,044	
Culture and recreation		173,029	-	10,077	6,000
Community and economic development General government		2,089 101,425	-	4,433	_
Debt service		101,120	-	.,	
Total disbursements	_	433,496	116,430	28,554	6,000
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements		(26,953)	9,102	3,138	70,860
[managed managed manag		(==,===,		-,	
Other financing sources (uses):					
Operating transfers in Operating transfers out		62,000	-	-	(62,000)
Total other financing sources (uses)	· , –	62,000			(62,000)
	_				
Net change in cash balances		35,047	9,102	3,138	8,860
Cash balances beginning of year	-	(38,610)	95,514	26,807	19,481
Cash balances end of year	\$_	(3,563)	104,616	29,945	28,341
Cash Basis Fund Balances					
Restricted for:					
Streets	\$	-	104,616	-	- ,
Employee benefits		-	-	29,945	-
Local option sales tax		-	-	-	28,341
Library trust Urban renewal tax increment		-	-		-
Debt service		-	-	-	, -
Unassigned	_	(3,563)			
Total cash basis fund balances	\$	(3,563)	104,616	29,945	28,341

Revenue				
Library				
Memorial	Urban Renewal	Debt	Capital	
Trust	Tax Increment	Service	Projects	Total
		106,188		385,502
	6,546	100,100	_	6,546
	0,040	4,261	_	86,874
_	_	1,201	_	1,938
_			-	6,592
_	-	11,000	-	149,903
	_	-		114,430
1,269	-	1,420	-	19,526
1,269	6,546	122,869		771,311
-	-	,	-	71,017
-	-	-	-	216,410
2,619	· ,		-	191,725
-	6,546	-	-	8,635
-	_		_	105,858
	-	120,259		120,259
2,619	6,546	120,259		713,904
(1,350)		2,610	-	57,407
-	-	-	-	62,000
-				(62,000)
-				
(1,350)	-	2,610	-	57,407
2,115	16,039	4,377	(47,592)	78,131
765	16,039	6,987	(47,592)	135,538
-	-	-	-	104,616
-	-	-	-	29,945
765		-	-	28,341
765	16.020	-	-	765
-	16,039	6,987		16,039 6,987
		0,987	(47,592)	(51,155)
765	16,039	6,987	(47,592)	135,538

City of Malvern Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Proprietary Funds As of and for the year ended June 30, 2012

	-	Enterprise Funds		
	_	Water	Sewer	Total
Operating receipts: Charges for service	\$	159,035	124,749	283,784
Operating disbursements: Business type activities		142,763	61,754	204,517
Excess of operating receipts over operating disbursements		16,272	62,995	79,267
Non-operating receipts (disbursements): Interest on investments Miscellaneous Debt service Total non-operating receipts (disbursements)	, -	243 4,666 - 4,909	243 (54,070) (53,827)	486 4,666 (54,070) (48,918)
Net change in cash balances		21,181	9,168	30,349
Cash balances beginning of year	_	134,751	(7,347)	127,224
Cash balances end of year	\$_	155,752	1,821	157,573
Cash Basis Fund Balances				
Restricted for debt service Unrestricted	\$	155,752	31,066 (29,245)	31,066 126,507
	\$	155,752	1,821	157,573

NOTE (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The City of Malvern is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Mills County. It was first incorporated in 1869 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens, including public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, and general government services. The City also provides water and sewer utilities for its citizens.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, the City of Malvern has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City. The City has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of the following boards and commissions: Mills County Assessor's Conference Board, Mills County Emergency Management Commission and Mills County E911 Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's nonfiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in the following categories/components:

NOTE (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

B. Basis of Presentation - Continued

Expendable restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for the road use tax allocation from the State of Iowa to be used for road construction and maintenance.

The Employee Benefit Fund is used to account for property taxes levied to pay employee benefits.

NOTE (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

B. Basis of Presentation - Continued

Special Revenue (continued):

The Local Option Sales Tax Fund is used to account for receipts required from the tax authorized by referendum and used for property tax relief.

The Library Memorial Trust Fund is used to account for library donations used for library materials.

The Urban Renewal Tax Increment Fund is used to account for tax increment financing collections and the repayment of tax increment financing indebtedness.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for property tax and other receipts to be used for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the construction of capital facilities with the exception of those that are financed through enterprise funds.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's sanitary sewer system.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The City of Malvern maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net assets available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants and then by general receipts.

NOTE (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting - Continued

When a disbursement in governmental funds can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the City's policy is generally to first apply the disbursement toward restricted fund balance and then to less-restrictive classifications – committed, assigned and then unassigned fund balances.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Governmental Cash Basis Fund Balances:

In the governmental fund financial statements, cash basis fund balances are classified as follows:

<u>Restricted</u> – Amounts restricted to specific purposes when constraints placed on the use of the resources are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, or state or federal laws or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Assigned - Amounts the Council intends to use for specific purposes.

<u>Unassigned</u> – All amounts not included in other spendable classifications.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Other Information. During the year ended June 30, 2012, disbursements exceeded the amounts budgeted in the culture and recreation function.

NOTE (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

F. Property Tax Calendar

The City's property tax rates were extended against the assessed valuation of the City as of January 1, 2010, to compute the amounts which became liens on property on July 1, 2011. These taxes were due and payable in two installments on September 30, 2011 and March 31, 2012, at the Mills County Treasurer's Office. These taxes are recognized as income to the City when they are received from the county.

NOTE (2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2012 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The City's cash, which consists of cash in bank and certificates of deposit, totaled \$293,111.

The City had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) No. 3, as amended by Statement No. 40.

<u>Interest rate risk</u> – The City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) in instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

NOTE (3) Notes Payable

Annual debt service requirements to maturity of general obligation notes are as follows:

Year Ended	Gene Obligation		Revenu	ie Note	То	tal
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2013 2014	\$ 100,874 105,500	19,203 14,302	37,000 38,000	15,600 14,490	137,874 143,500	34,803 28,792
2015 2016	88,259	9,175	39,000	13,350	127,259	22,525
2017	86,675 27,195	4,800 1,292	40,000 41,000	12,180 12,180	126,676 68,195	16,980 13,472
2018-2022 2023-2024			225,000 100,000	42,210 8,970	225,000 100,000	42,210 8,970
Total	\$ 408,503	48,772	520,000	118,980	928,504	167,752

Interest costs paid during the year ended June 30, 2012 totaled \$40,564.

The Code of Iowa requires that principal and interest on general obligation bonds be paid from the Debt Service Fund.

The City has a general obligation debt limit of approximately \$2,258,000 which was not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2012.

Revenue Notes - The City has pledged future sewer customer receipts, net of specified operating disbursements, to repay \$799,000 in sewer revenue notes issued in June 2004. Proceeds from the notes provided financing for the construction of improvements to the sewer treatment plant. The notes are payable solely from sewer customer net receipts and are payable through 2024. The annual principal and interest payments on the notes were eighty-four percent of net receipts. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid is \$638,980. For the current year, principal and interest paid and total customer net receipts were \$52,680 and \$62,995, respectively.

The resolutions providing for the issuance of the sewer revenue notes include the following provisions:

- a) The notes will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the sewer enterprise activity, and the note holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the fund.
- b) Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to the sewer revenue note sinking account for the purpose of making the note principal and interest payments when due.

The City has complied with the provisions of the resolution. However, net receipts were insufficient to cover debt service payments and operations resulting in a negative unrestricted fund balance.

NOTE (4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 5.38% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 8.07% of annual covered salary. Certain employees in special risk occupations and the City contribute an actuarially determined contribution rate. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The City's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011, and 2010, were \$13,110, \$11,018, and \$9,642, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

NOTE (5) Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate vacation days for subsequent use or for payment at the end of the calendar year during which it was required to be taken. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. Employees are entitled to payment of accrued vacation upon termination, retirement, death, or disability. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation benefits payable to employees at June 30, 2012, primarily relating to the General Fund is \$2,700. This liability is computed on rates of pay effective as of June 30, 2012.

NOTE (6) Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

The City operates a single-employer retiree benefit plan which provides medical/prescription drug benefits for retirees and their spouses. There are 3 active and 0 retired members in the plan. Participants must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical/prescription drug coverage is provided through a fully-insured plan with Wellmark. The same premium is paid for retirees under age 65 for the medical/prescription drug benefit as active employees, which results in an implicit subsidy and an OPEB liability.

The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the City. The City currently finances the retiree benefit plan on a payas-you-go basis. The most recent active member monthly premium for the City and plan members is \$629 for single coverage and \$1,161 for family coverage. The same monthly premiums apply to retirees. For the year ended June 30, 2012, there were no plan members eligible for benefits.

NOTE (7) Interfund Transfers

The detail of interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2012 is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from		Amount
General	Special Revenue: Local Option Sales Tax	s	62.000

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse resources.

NOTE (8) Commitments

Law Enforcement Contract

The City has contracted with Mills County, Iowa whereby the County provides law enforcement services within the City of Malvern through the office of the Sheriff of Mills County, Iowa through June 30, 2013 for an annual amount of \$16,559.

Administrative Services Contract

The City renewed its agreement with PeopleService, whereby the City engages PeopleService to manage, operate, and maintain the City's water and wastewater utility system. The Company in turn refunds to the City all cost savings on non-payroll operating expenses. The monthly contracted fee is \$8,048, plus \$2.50 per account bill, with an annual adjustment equaling the change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) plus one percent, effective through June 30, 2015.

As required in this agreement, PeopleService computes, bills, collects and transmits to the City the revenues from water, sewer and landfill usage.

Rescue Services Contract

Malvern Volunteer Rescue, Inc. is a separate entity established to provide rescue services. In July 1989, the City signed an ambulance service contract with the Organization, which has been extended for successive one year terms. The Organization is required to provide 24 hour phone service, all insurance, maintenance, repairs and supplies for City owned rescue unit vehicles and trained personnel to respond to rescue calls. The City is required to pay the Organization \$1,104 per month for these services.

Communication Services

The City has a 28E agreement with Mills County for the purpose of providing emergency communication services, effective through June 30, 2013. The City's share of the support is \$9,136 for the year ending June 30, 2013.

NOTE (9) Risk Management

The City of Malvern is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE (10) Deficit Fund Balances

The General Fund had a deficit balance of \$3,563 at June 30, 2012. The deficit will be eliminated with property tax collections, local option sales tax receipts and reduction in spending.

The Capital Projects Fund had a deficit balance of \$47,592 at June 30, 2012. The deficit will be eliminated with the transfer of funds when available.

Other Information

City of Malvern

Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Receipts, Disbursements, and Changes in Balances -Budget and Actual (Cash Basis) – All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Funds Other Information

Year ended June 30, 2012

	-	Governmental Funds Actual	Proprietary Funds Actual	Net
Receipts	4	205 500		225 522
Property tax	\$	385,502	-	385,502
Tax increment financing		6,546	-	6,546
Other city tax		86,874	-	86,874
Licenses and permits		1,938	-	1,938
Use of money and property		6,592	486	7,078
Intergovernmental		149,903		149,903
Charges for service		114,430	283,784	398,214
Miscellaneous	_	19,526	4,666	24,192
Total receipts		771,311	288,936	1,060,247
Disbursements				
Public safety		71,017	-	71,017
Public works		216,410	-	216,410
Culture and recreation		191,725	-	191,725
Community and economic development		8,635	_	8,635
General government		105,858	-	105,858
Debt service		120,259	-	120,259
Business type activities		-	258,587	258,587
Total disbursements	-	713,904	258,587	972,491
Excess of receipts over disbursements		57,407	30,349	87,756
Other financing sources, net	_	-		-
Excess of receipts and other financing sources over disbursements		57,407	30,349	87,756
Balances beginning of year	_	78,131	127,224	205,355
Balances end of year	\$_	135,538	157,573	293,111

	Budget to	
Budgeted	Net	
Original	Final	Variance
		-
376,791	376,791	8,711
6,566	6,566	(20)
80,141	80,141	6,733
3,625	3,625	(1,687)
4,350	4,350	2,728
170,500	180,992	(31,089)
432,189	432,189	(33,975)
13,000	13,000	11,192
1,087,162	1,097,654	(37,407)
75,373	75,373	4,356
231,584	231,584	15,174
170,679	184,079	(7,646)
8,316	8,716	81
103,344	111,244	5,386
120,583	120,583	324
331,020	331,020	72,433
1,040,899	1,062,599	90,108
46,263	35,055	52,701
_	5,000	(5,000)
	40.00-	
46,263	40,055	47,701
197,085	197,085	8,270
243,348	237,140	55,971

City of Malvern Notes to Other Information – Budgetary Reporting June 30, 2012

The budgetary comparison is presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service Funds and Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These functions are: public safety, public works, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Funds and Proprietary Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted revenues by \$15,492 and budgeted disbursements by \$21,700. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2012, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the culture and recreation function. Supplementary Information

City of Malvern Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Cash Balances Combining General Fund As of and for the year ended June 30, 2012

		General	Liberty Memorial Sinking	Park Sinking
Receipts:	-			,
Property tax	\$	248,859		-
Other city tax		10,516	-	-
Licenses and fees		1,938	-	-
Use of money and property		6,404	53	-
Intergovernmental		3,731	-	-
Charges for services		114,430		-
Miscellaneous		16,837	_	
Total receipts	-	402,715	53	-
Disbursements:				
Operating:				
Public safety		71,017	- · · · · · -	_
Public works		85,936	-	· _
Culture and recreation		173,029	-	
Community and economic development		2,089	, -	-
General government		101,425	<u>-</u>	-
Total disbursements	_	433,496		
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements		(30,781)	53	- -
Other financing sources (uses): Operating transfers in	_	62,000		·
Net change in cash balances		31,219	53	-
Cash balances beginning of year		(86,343)	6,930	7,101
Cash balances end of year	\$_	(55,124)	6,983	7,101

Library	m 1
Building	Total
135 3,640	248,859 10,516 1,938 6,592 7,371
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	114,430
-	16,837
3,775	406,543
- -	71,017 85,936
-	173,029
-	2,089
-	101,425
-	433,496
3,775	(26,953)
-	62,000
3,775	35,047
33,702	(38,610)
37,477	(3,563)

City of Malvern Schedule of Indebtedness Year ended June 30, 2012

Obligation	Date of Issue	Interest Rates	 Amount Originally Issued
General obligation notes:			
Downtown sidewalk improvement	Feb 1, 2001	5.00 %	\$ 640,000
Liberty memorial improvement	Jul 1, 2004	4.50 %	100,000
Building	Jan 18, 2007	4.75 %	275,000
Library	Dec 19, 2008	4.50 %	50,000
Revenue note: Sewer	Jun 14, 2004	3.00 %	\$ 799,000

	Balance Beginning of Year	Issued During Year	Redeemed During Year	Balance End of Year	Interest Paid	Interest Due and Unpaid
\$	267,682		49,375	218,307	12,775	-
	30,000	_	10,000	20,000	1,350	-
	174,195	-	27,000	147,195	8,274	-
	33,000		10,000	23,000	1,485	-
\$.	504,877	_	96,375	408,502	23,884	
\$.	556,000	-	36,000	520,000	16,680	_

City of Malvern Note Maturities June 30, 2012

					Gen	eral Obligatio	n N	otes					
	Downtown	n Sidewalk	Liberty	Mer	morial				Es	sent	ial		
	Improv	vement	Bu	ildin	ıg	Li	ibrai	ry	Corpora	ate P	urpose		
	Issued Fe	b 1, 2001	Issued J	ul 1	, 2004	Issued J	an l	18, 2007	Issued I	ec 1	9, 2008		
Ending	Interest		Interest			Interest			Interest				
June 30,	Rate	Amount	Rate		Amount	Rate		Amount	Rate		Amount		Total
2013	5.00 %	\$ 51,874	4.50 %	\$	10,000	4.75%	\$	28,000	4.50 %	\$	11,000	\$	100,874
2014	5.00 %	54,500	4.50 %		10,000	4.75%		29,000	4.50 %		12,000		105,500
2015	5.00 %	57,259			-	4.75%		31,000			-		88,259
2016	5.00 %	54,674			-	4.75%		32,000			-		86,674
2017				-	-	4.75%	-	27,195		-	-		27,195
Total		\$ 218.307		\$	20.000		\$	147.195		\$	23.000	s	408.502

	Re	venue l	Note
		Sewer	•
	Issued	Jun 1	4, 2004
Year Ending	Interest		
June 30,	Rate		Amount
2013	3.00 %	\$	37,000
2014	3.00 %		38,000
2015	3.00 %		39,000
2016	3.00 %		40,000
2017	3.00 %		41,000
2018	3.00 %		42,000
2019	3.00 %		44,000
2020	3.00 %		45,000
2021	3.00 %		46,000
2022	3.00 %		48,000
2023	3.00 %		49,000
2024	3.00 %	_	51,000
Total		\$	520,000

See accompanying independent auditors' report

City of Malvern Schedule of Receipts By Source and Disbursements By Function -All Governmental Funds For the Last Eight Years

	2012	2011	2010
Receipts			
Property tax	\$ 385,502	359,237	358,456
Tax increment financing collections	6,546	3,925	_
Other city tax	86,874	85,511	83,416
Licenses and permits	1,938	2,764	1,689
Use of money and property	6,592	6,504	5,514
Intergovernmental	149,903	175,094	290,171
Charges for service	114,430	110,260	106,412
Special assessments	-	-	8,657
Miscellaneous	 19,526	12,668	8,815
Total	\$ 771,311	755,963	863,130
Disbursements			
Operating:			
Public safety	\$ 71,017	62,699	61,604
Public works	216,410	228,925	251,488
Culture and recreation	191,735	170,895	161,670
Community and economic development	8,625	10,034	649
General government	105,858	92,768	100,918
Debt service	120,259	126,358	114,350
Capital projects	 	_	184,301
Total	\$ 713,904	691,679	874,980

2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
339,395	346,343	312,598	291,091	296,538
_	_	_	-	_
86,445	82,873	83,127	73,964	71,480
2,360	1,335	1,067	472	1,300
7,442	6,816	11,983	27,374	21,749
411,173	170,953	396,241	205,055	368,599
98,861	97,093	95,960	99,198	83,860
9,414	14,708	10,284	12,731	10,666
28,993	26,191	215,279	29,583	99,245
984,083	746,312	1,126,539	739,468	953,437
62.070	01 000	70.024	72,107	70,772
63,070	81,892	70,934	•	270,334
262,079	248,611	250,608	292,794	,
194,152	183,026	194,648	679,211	157,495
1,696	1,382	7,159	53,382	2,646
89,982	112,106	141,743	120,676	130,528
115,918	134,601	75,750	90,268	62,150
230,024		630,666	95,475	982,106
956,921	761,618	1,371,508	1,403,913	1,676,031

City of Malvern





October 24, 2012

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund of the City of Malvern, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated October 24, 2012. Our report expressed unqualified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The management of the City of Malvern is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City of Malvern's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Malvern's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City of Malvern's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and, therefore, there can be no assurance all deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting we consider to be material weakness.

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City of Malvern Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control and Compliance

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal controls such that there is a reasonable possibility a material misstatement of the City of Malvern's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings as item I-A-11 to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City of Malvern's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance that are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2012 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

City of Malvern's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the City's responses, we did not audit City of Malvern's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Malvern and other parties to whom the City of Malvern may report, including pass through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the City of Malvern during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

SCHROER & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

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Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCIES:

I-A-12 Segregation of Duties

<u>Comment</u> – One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. The cash receipts listing, bank deposits, posting of the cash receipts to the cash receipts journal, and reconciling are all done by the same person.

<u>Recommendation</u> – We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances. In addition, the Council should review monthly the Clerk's Report and actual to budget comparisons.

Response - We will implement additional controls.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting:

II-A-12 Certified Budget

<u>Comment</u> - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2012 exceeded the amounts budgeted in the culture and recreation function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states in part that public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The budget should have been amended in sufficient amounts in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

Response - The budget will be amended in sufficient amounts in the future, if applicable.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

II-B-12 Entertainment Expense

We noted no disbursements for parties, banquets or other entertainment for employees that we believe may constitute an unlawful expenditure from public funds as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.

II-C-12 Travel Expense

No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.

II-D-12 Business Transactions

No business transactions were noted between the City and City officials or employees.

II-E-12 Bond Coverage

Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting Continued:

II-F-12 Council Minutes

No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the City Council minutes but were not.

II-G-12 Enterprise Debt

<u>Comment</u> - Although the City has made the necessary transfers per the sewer bond resolution and has serviced the debt, net receipts were insufficient to service operations and debt service requirements, resulting in a negative unrestricted fund balance.

Recommendation - The City should consider raising sewer rates in order to maintain the fund in sound financial condition.

Response - We will review this further.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

II-H-12 Deposits and Investments

We noted no instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy.

II-I-12 Financial Condition

<u>Comment</u> –The General Fund had a deficit balance of \$3,563, and the Capital Projects Fund had a deficit balance of \$47,592.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The City should monitor the activity in these funds in order to eliminate the deficits. The City should control spending within budget limits and corresponding revenue sources.

<u>Response</u> – We will review this further and return these funds to a sound financial condition. The Capital Projects Fund deficit will be eliminated with the transfer of funds. We have made the following plans for the General Fund:

- a.) Purchase capital assets needed with the levy of debt.
- Require each department to be responsible for cutting budget expenditures where possible.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting Continued:

II-J-12 Inactive Capital Project

Comment - The Capital Projects Fund-Liberty Memorial Fund is inactive.

Recommendation - The City should make the appropriate transfer to close.

Response - We will do this when funds are available from the General Fund.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

II-K-12 <u>Tax Increment Financing</u>

<u>Comment</u> - The city has cash on hand of \$16,039 at June 30, 2012 in the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund to pay for TIF debt no longer outstanding.

Recommendation - The City should consult bond counsel to determine the disposition of this issue.

The City should complete and provide TIF Certification Form 3 to the County Auditor to reduce the TIF indebtedness outstanding for the cash on hand in the Special Revenue, Tax Increment Financing Fund at June 30, 2012.

<u>Response</u> – We will consult bond counsel and submit TIF Certification Form 3 to the County Auditor to reduce the TIF indebtedness outstanding.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

II-L-12 Excess Balances

<u>Comment</u> – The balances in the Employee Benefit Fund and Enterprise Funds – Water were in excess of the fund disbursements during the year.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The city should consider the necessity of maintaining this substantial balance and, where financial feasible, consider reducing the balance in an orderly manner through revenue reductions.

<u>Response</u> – We plan on using the excess balances on improvement projects and emergency situations.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.